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13. ABSTRACT (A) This report summarizes work performed on novel semiconductor materials. A new $sp^3d^5$ empirical tight-binding model of the electronic structure of silicon was developed. Models showed that the $Er^{+3}$ crystal-field splitting in Si has a different electronic structure than previously assumed in the literature. Surface reconstructions of Si have been worked out for 5-by-1 and 16-by-2, the latter of which is the largest ever described. A theory describing the role of interfacial charges in determining lattice-matching conditions at substrate surfaces was developed. The defect structure of the first successful STM image of the GaN(0001) surface on a mismatched substrate was modeled. Electronic structure calculations showed that quantum dots, which can result from controlled lattice-mismatched growth, have indirect bandstructure under certain conditions. Finally, the conventional theory of superconductivity is called into question with the determination that the primary superconducting condensate resides in the charge reservoir layers, as opposed to occupying the cuprate planes.				
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Maj. Michael Prairie  
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RE: Final report

Dear Major Prairie,

This is a summary of work completed under contract/grant AFOSR-F49620-94-10163 in its final year.

## Semiconductors

We have developed a new  $sp^3d^5$  empirical tight-binding model of the electronic structure of Si, which should prove useful for modeling the valence bands and lowest conduction bands of Si.

We have performed the first successful imaging of the GaN(0001) surface by scanning tunneling microscopy and presented models of the defect structures observed.

We have developed a theory of substrates and the role of interfacial-charge in determining a correction to the lattice-match condition.

We have worked out the physics of crystal-field splitting of  $Er^{+3}$  in Si, finding a different electronic structure from the structure that has been assumed.

We have constructed models of the "16x2" and "5x1" surface reconstructions of Si(110). The "16x2" reconstruction has one of the largest surface unit cells ever worked out.

We have shown that quantum dots are likely to exhibit unanticipated phenomena, including (i) valence band maxima that were at  $k=0$  in the bulk which are displaced from  $k=0$  by an amount of order  $D^{-1}$  in the dot, where  $D$  is the dot diameter (direct bulk semiconductors become indirect in quantum dots), and (ii) dopants that are deep traps in the dots, which were shallow impurities in the bulk.

## Superconductors

We have shown that the charge-transfer hypothesis, which lies at the foundation of most theories of high-temperature superconductivity, is contradicted by the very data once thought to support it.

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We have shown that the effects of Ni and Zn doping of high-temperature superconductors are the same in all materials measured to date, except  $\text{Nd}_{2-z}\text{Ce}_z\text{CuO}_4$ , which exhibits BCS-like behavior. This contradicts most of the popular theories, but is fully consistent with our charge-reservoir-oxygen model of superconductivity.

We have developed an understanding of  $\text{Sm}_{1.5}\text{Ce}_{0.5}\text{Sr}_2\text{Cu}_2\text{NbO}_{10}$  and its superconductivity, predicting its critical temperature, and predicting the effects of Ni and Zn doping.

We have demonstrated that the spin-fluctuation d-wave pairing model of high-temperature superconductivity is contradicted by its own self-test, hopefully eliminating this popular model from further consideration.

We have shown how pair-breaking can be employed to locate the primary superconducting condensate — which invariably occupies the charge-reservoir layers of high-temperature superconductors, not the cuprate-planes.

We have proposed that *all* high-temperature superconductors are *p*-type, and have proposed a model of *p*-type doping in  $\text{Nd}_{2-z}\text{Ce}_z\text{CuO}_4$  (which has been assumed to be *n*-type) in terms of (Ce,interstitial oxygen) pairs.

As I look at the three-year proposal and the annual reports, I believe that the proposed work has been done, and other, unanticipated work has led to very interesting breakthroughs.

I hope that you feel you have gotten your money's worth.

It has been a pleasure working for you. If I can be of help in the future, do not hesitate to call on me.

Thank you very much for your support.

Sincerely,



John D. Dow

Professor

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### A. Publication in Reviewed Journals

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temperature superconductors. Submitted.

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Blackstead, Howard A. and Dow, John D., Evidence that all high-temperature superconductors are *p*-type. *Phys. Rev. B* **55**, 6605-6611 (1997).

## **B. Books or Book Chapters Published**

None.

## **C. Graduate Students**

None.

## **D. Post-Doctorates**

Ren, Shang-Yuan, Physics and Astronomy, non-US  
Packard, William E., Physics and Astronomy, US

## **E. Awards, this year**

Dow, John, D., Certificate of Appreciation, Battelle, 1997

## **E'. Awards, this year, Ren, S.-Y.**

Distinguished University Professorship, Peking University, 1994-present

## **E". Awards, previous years, Dow, J. D.**

Dow, John, D., National Defense Science and Engineering Appreciation Award, Oak Leaf Cluster, 1994, 1995, and 1996

Dow, John, D., Certificate of Appreciation, Battelle, 1994, 1995, and 1996

DuPont Educational Aid Award 1993 (unsolicited) (\$10,000)

Battelle National Defense Science and Engineering Appreciation Award, 1993

DuPont Educational Aid Award 1992 (unsolicited) (\$8,000)

Distinguished University Professor, Arizona State University, Spring, 1990

Frank M. Freimann Professor of Physics, University of Notre Dame, 1983-1991  
Permanent Honored Guest Professor, Tsinghua University, Beijing (The other two recipients of this award are Nobel Laureates T. D. Lee and C. N. Yang), 1989-present  
Elected an alumnus member of Phi Beta Kappa, 1989  
Award for contributions to North Dakota's efforts at enhancing science excellence, 1988  
Awarded a 1987 Mercury Sable X-Plan Automobile in recognition of contributions to theoretical physics, by the Ford Motor Company  
Certificate of citation from the State of Indiana, Office of Governor Robert D. Orr, for outstanding leadership in Science and Technology, 1987  
Certificate of Recognition of the Materials Research Society, 1987  
Ford Motor Company Research Award (\$15,000), 1983-7  
Board of Directors, I/O Experts, Inc., Willoughby, Ohio, 1985-  
Visiting Professor of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, University of Minnesota, 1987  
Visiting Professor of Physics, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, 1986  
Visiting Scientist, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, Italy, 1981  
Unidel Visiting Professorship, University of Delaware, 1978  
Associate, Illinois Center for Advanced Study, 1976-7  
Fellow, American Physical Society, 1976  
National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow (Princeton University), 1967-8  
NASA fellow (University of Rochester), 1966-7  
Who's Who in Technology Today  
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Men of Achievement, International Biographical Centre, Cambridge